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CALTRANS DISTRICT 8 DIRECTOR APPOINTED

INLAND EMPIRE – It is the pleasure of Caltrans to announce that Basem Muallem has been appointed to be the Caltrans District 8 Director. District 8 encompasses over 7,200 lane miles of state highways throughout Riverside and San Bernardino Counties.

Basem most recently was the District 8 Deputy District Director for Program/Project Management and Deputy District Director for Right of Way. Previously, he was the Deputy District Director for Maintenance in District 8 and also served as the interim HQ Division Chief for Maintenance and Division Chief for Right of Way.

A licensed civil engineer, Basem has been with Caltrans for 29 years, serving in a number of engineering and management positions. He has experience in Construction, Design, Operations/Encroachment Permits, Surveys, Maintenance, Program/Project Management, and Right of Way.

Basem holds a Bachelors of Science degree in biology, and he has Bachelors and Masters of Science degrees in Civil Engineering. Basem began his career in Los Angeles (District 7) as an entry level Civil Engineer.

The Department would like to take this opportunity to thank Syed Raza for the outstanding job he did serving as the Interim District 8 Director for the past three months.

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